

MEMORIALABILIA

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JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS

The Class of '11 officers were elected for the next two years. Elected were: Kara Gingras, president; Joshua Fifty, vice president; Adam Reynolds-Reuschel, Secretary and William Kalasky, Treasurer. Dues will be collected on Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday at 7am in the Mirabile Auditorium lobby through February. In March, dues will be collected on Tuesdays and Thursday at 7AM in the Mirabile Auditorium lobby.

GUIDANCE PRESENTATIONS/EVENTS

In early March, the Guidance Department will be making a presentation entitled *"Making College and Career Count."* This presentation provides 12th graders with information regarding how they can successfully make the transition from high school to college or the career path of their choice, while making the most of their experiences along the way. It is a great motivational tool for seniors giving them that final boost of confidence prior to graduation. On Tuesday, March 30, a College Overview for juniors and their parents will take place in the Arthur Mirabile Auditorium from 6:30 PM – 9:00 PM. This evening presentation will provide juniors and their parents' vital information regarding the entire college admission process. On Wednesday, April 14th the NHCTC "on-site acceptance" in the LMC during school day New Hampshire Community Technical College (NHCTC) will be accepting graduating seniors "on the spot" during this meeting. Admission counselors will be at Memorial to assist seniors who do not have post-secondary plans through the application process.

LIBRARY MEDIA CENTER COAT DRIVE

Have an extra coat in your closet? Help Memorial students stay warm this season by donating an extra coat. The library media center is hosting the Warm Coats for Winter Coat Drive over the next few months. The coat drive box is located in front of the main window of the Library Media Center (LMC). Please drop off any extra coats in good condition. Call the LMC at 624-6378 X1244 with any questions.

AP EXAMINATION INFORMATION

The fee for the exam is \$86. Fee reductions (\$22 per exam) and fee waivers are available from the College Board for students who qualify for financial assistance. Students should contact their guidance counselor with questions regarding AP fee waivers. The fee for the exam will be accepted starting Monday, January 25th, 2010 and is due no later than Friday, February 26th, 2010 at 8:00 A.M. Exams will be ordered at this time!! Therefore, no payments will be ac-

cepted after Friday, February 26th, 2010 at 8:00 A.M. Students must register for the AP exams with Mr. Robitaille (AP coordinator/guidance counselor) in the guidance office. Please make checks payable to "Memorial High School". If you have logistical questions about AP programming at Memorial High School, please contact Mr. Richard Robitaille (AP Coordinator) at Memorial High School (624-6378 x1228).

GUIDANCE NEWS

PSAT/NMSQT score results were returned to sophomores and juniors in December. Students were asked to take their score reports and test booklets home to review them with parents. If you have questions, please contact your child's guidance counselor. In addition, please view the guidance page at www.crusaders.org for scholarship information and help with guidance issues.

UPCOMING ACT'S & SAT'S

The SAT's and ACT's are frequently offered at Memorial and are a requirement for admission to most colleges. The SATs are offered on 3/13, 5/1 and 6/5. Students should register online at www.collegeboard.com. Upcoming ACT tests will be offered on February 6th, April 10th and June 12th. Students may sign up online at www.act.org or see a guidance counselor for an application. For more information students can see their guidance counselor.

HUGH J. O'BRIAN YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROGRAM UPDATE

Sophomore Bria Parchment has been named the 2010 ambassador representing Memorial High School in the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Program (HOBY). Bria will be attending a four-day seminar in June. Sophomore Maria Cervantes earned runner-up honors. HOBY was started in 1958 by the legendary actor Hugh O'Brian. HOBY's vision is "to motivate and empower individuals to make a positive difference within our global society through understanding and action based on effective passion and leadership."

RACHEL'S CHALLENGE VISITS MMHS

On December 17th, MMHS was the site of the national program, Rachel's Challenge named after Rachel Scott, the first person killed at Columbine High School on April 20, 1999. Her acts of kindness and compassion coupled with the contents of her six diaries have become the foundation for one of the most life-changing school programs in America. This assembly was unlike any other held at MMHS. The entire one hour presentation held the student's attention as the speaker told us of Rachel's story all while she sparked the "want" and desire for change in student at-

tititudes towards each other. Many students felt impacted by the assembly as they heard the touching story of how one girl wanted to just have more compassion in the world. After the assembly, 140 students were trained to become a part of the Friends of Rachel club (FOR). The group meets every Tuesday after school in RM 809. New members are always welcome. The Rachel's Challenge speaker also conducted a powerful session with parents and community leaders in the evening. The session was similar to the assembly that was held during the day and ended with a specific challenge to parents and community leaders, showing them how they can reinforce the decisions their youth are making. If you are a parent or business owner or you know of a business who would like to get involved, please email Ms. Tara Marandos at tmarandos@mansd.org for more information.

FREE TUTORING OFFERED

The National Honor Society is pleased to offer free tutoring in the subjects of mathematics and science on Mondays and Wednesdays in RM 805. Mr. Robert Garcia will supervise peer tutoring after school from 2:40 through 3:15 PM. No appointments are necessary. If your child needs help in other subjects, a peer-tutoring schedule may be coordinated through Ms. Diane Provost in RM 114.

STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

This year there was another strong turnout for the Student Council's annual Halloween party for local elementary school students. Activities included a haunted house, trick-or-treating, and games. Student Council also held its annual canned food drive to benefit New Horizons Food Bank, and raised over 10,000 cans and \$2,000. This fall, Student Council also hosted Homecoming Weekend, with a football tailgate for Seniors and the dance the following night attracted over 500 students. Donations and ideas are being accepted for the annual Senior Auction, which raises funds for scholarships. Please contact Ms. Kelly Duchesne at 624-6378 X2259 for more details.

DECA HAPPENINGS

The students in DECA have focused on more than academics this semester. Their community service projects include raising money for two MMHS students and their families, the Jimmy Fund raising over \$2950 for disadvantaged MMHS students through the faculty play, faculty dress down days and the DECA Diamond Program. DECA has also participated in various leadership activities including sending 55 students to the New Hampshire DECA Fall Leadership Conference at SNHU. The students will also be attending the Sports & Entertainment Marketing Conference in Orlando, FL on February 3-5 and will be competing at the NHDECA State Development Conference on March 3-5. The 2009 American Philological Association (APA) Award for Excellence in Teaching at the Pre-collegiate Level goes to Stergios Lazos, Chair of Classical and Modern Languages at St. Edward High School.

CLASS OF '80 ALUM WINS AWARD

During 25 years of teaching, Mr. Stergios Lazos (MMHS Class of 1980) created a Latin program at one school, helped another grow from 19 students to over 100, and at St. Edward High School increased classics offerings from four courses to

twelve, including Greek. Twice the Ohio Classical Conference has chosen his program as the best in the state.



Mr. Lazos (MMHS '80) accepts his award from Mr. Lee Percy, Vice President and Chair of the Education Committee of the APA.

The award recognizes national excellence in pre-collegiate classics instruction based on success, size and growth of the classics program in the honorees school; outreach and promotion of the classics; innovative and creative classroom activity; evidence of improved student learning; student success in contests and competitions; and professional development. The APA recognized Lazos for his contribution to the growth of the Latin program at St. Edward High School, as well as the level of success his students have on the National Latin Exam and the Advanced Placement Latin Exam.

**NO PARKING
ALERT!**

PARKING ON THE EAST SIDE OF SOUTH PORTER STREET WHEN SCHOOL IS IN SESSION IS PROHIBITED. THE BAN INCLUDES DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP TIMES BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL. THE PARKING ENFORCEMENT DIVISION OF THE MPD WILL BE TICKETING VEHICLES THAT ARE IN VIOLATION OF THE BAN.

**MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL
MISSION STATEMENT**

Manchester Memorial High School is committed to providing a safe and enriched learning environment in which students can

- work toward the realization of academic and creative potential.
- nurture individual talents and abilities.
- develop respect for themselves and for others.
- become more involved and responsible citizens.

EXPECTATIONS FOR STUDENT LEARNING

Manchester Memorial High School graduates will have

worked toward the realization of academic and creative potential by

- using critical and creative thinking skills.
- incorporating technology as an aid to problem solving.
- demonstrating academic competencies across the curriculum.
- preparing for a successful transition into the workplace or post secondary education.

nurtured individual talents and abilities by

- developing academic, athletic, social, and civic skills.
- cultivating team and leadership skills.
- refining unique talents.

developed respect for themselves and for others by

- accepting responsibility for personal decisions.
- experiencing a wide variety of physical activities for wellness.
- investing in their own education.

become more involved and responsible citizens by

- recognizing the value of individual participation within the community.
- respecting diversity and the rights of others.

"IT IS THE POLICY OF THE SCHOOL BOARD, IN ITS ACTIONS, AND THOSE OF ITS EMPLOYEES, THAT THERE SHALL BE NO DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF SEX, RACE, RELIGION, NATIONALITY, ETHNIC ORIGIN, AGE OR HANDICAP, FOR EMPLOYMENT IN, PARTICIPATION IN, OR OPERATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF ANY PROGRAM OR ACTIVITY IN THE MANCHESTER SCHOOL DEPARTMENT."